

災害が発生した場合には、まず被害の状況や規模等の情報を迅速に収集し、これを関係者や関係機関に伝達することが必要で、これらの情報に基づいて所要の体制が整備されることになります。市町村や都道府県では必要に応じて災害対策本部を設置して対策を実施し、大規模な災害の場合には、国においても災害の態様に応じて非常災害対策本部や緊急災害対策本部を設置して対策を推進します。また、必要に応じ被災現地に現地対策本部を設置し、被災地のニーズに応じ迅速に対策を実施する体制を執ることもあります。

情報収集・伝達に続く具体的な災害応急対策として、人命の救助、救急、医療、消火活動や避難対策、さらには二次災害防止や被災者への水や食料の供給などの支援対策等を実施します。

当面の危機的状況に対処した後も、保健衛生、社会秩序の維持、ライフラインや公共施設等被災施設の復旧、被災者への情報提供等の対策を行うことになります。

大規模な災害時にこれら災害応急対策を適切に実施するには、広域的な人的、物的支援を効果的に行うことが必要で、日頃からの連携体制の強化が重要です。

Should a disaster occur, information such as the extent and scale of the damage should first be gathered quickly, and this should be relayed to relevant personnel and organizations. Then requisite systems will be arranged on the basis of this information. Headquarters for Disaster Countermeasures will be set up in municipalities or prefectures and countermeasures carried out whenever necessary, while in the event of a large-scale disaster the national government will also promote countermeasures by setting up Headquarters for Extraordinary Disaster Countermeasures or Headquarters for Emergency Disaster Countermeasures, depending on the circumstances of the disaster. Meanwhile, whenever necessary Local Headquarters for Countermeasures may be set up in the disaster-stricken area and a system organized to implement countermeasures quickly, in accordance with the requirements of the disaster area.

As the next specific emergency disaster countermeasures following the gathering and relay of information, activities to be undertaken will include saving human lives, first aid, medical treatment, and fire-fighting, evacuation countermeasures, and support countermeasures such as preventing secondary disasters and supplying food or drinking water to the disaster victims.

Even after responding to the immediate danger situation, countermeasures such as maintaining sanitation, law and order, restoring disaster-stricken facilities such as lifelines and public facilities, and supplying information to disaster victims will be carried out.

In order to implement these emergency disaster countermeasures appropriately in the event of a large-scale disaster, human and material support must be carried out effectively over a broad area, thus it is important that we reinforce systems of cooperation at all times.



応急対策活動（阪神・淡路大震災）

Emergency Countermeasures at the time of the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake